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**UTILITY
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Attorney Docket No.	41020.P005
First Inventor	Satoshi Nakajima
Title	Field Extensible Controllee Sourced Universal...
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
 2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
 3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages (preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
 4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets - 5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
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named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
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11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
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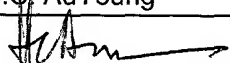
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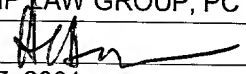
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Submitted herewith are:

(a) A sealed Express Mail Package (No. EV051081754US) containing the original filing package of the captioned application including

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- (2) Check#05545 in the amount of \$1,292.00 for the applicable fees,
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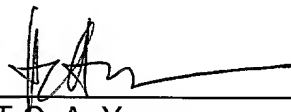
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Applicants respectfully request the enclosed application be accepted, and accorded the priority date of November 21, 2001.

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Respectfully submitted,
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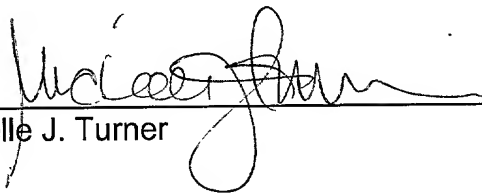
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